

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the U.S. Court of Federal Claims Bar Association. If you are a continuing member of the Bar Association, as you will see, 2006 is shaping up to be filled with many informative and engaging activities. If you are a new member, welcome! As you will see, you will have many opportunities to get involved in the coming year. If you are thinking of joining, now is the time. The Bar Association's ability to accomplish its mission depends on you and its members.

On May 2, 2006 the Court of Federal Claims Bar Association will sponsor a luncheon celebrating Law Day at the St. Regis Hotel in Washington, D.C. Look for further details of this event in the near future.

As always, there will be a steady supply of brown bag events designed to educate and inform you of cutting edge issues in the Court of Federal Claims and its substantive practice areas. "Brown bag" lunch seminars and similar sessions with members of the Court and senior practitioners are also excellent opportunities to meet with and exchange ideas with the judges in an informal, non-adversarial setting. Members across the country can participate in these seminars through video conferencing. You'll also receive Newsletters, which we hope you'll find informative.

A key project for this year is the finalization of recommendations and feedback on the Court's Rules of Practice, which were significantly revised in 2002. Board Member Brad Fagg is heading up this effort and is actively soliciting comments and input from Bar members.

We've also formed a committee that will be meeting regularly with the Court to plan this year's judicial conference. It's too early to have specifics, but we intend to build

on last year's highly successful conference. Look for more information in the coming months.

I look forward to working with you all in the year ahead!

Best regards,

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